Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command Customer Advisory January 17, 2013 CA-13-01/17-0011

Subject: NAVSUP GLS Transportation & Distribution Cargo Routing Information File Guidance (CRIF)

Purpose: Inform Shippers and Transportation Officers on how to Interpret the CRIF

Be Advised: Guidance to transportation officers and shippers on using the CRIF for Naval and Coast Guard funded shipments.

In accordance with the Defense Transportation Regulation, DTR 4500.9-R, all shippers are required to obtain routing guidance from the authoritative source reference Cargo Routing Information File (CRIF) prior to shipping cargo to naval mobile customers. The CRIF is located in the DOD Financial and Air Clearance Transportation System (FACTS). Mobile units must provide their routing guidance to NAVSUP GLS Transportation & Distribution (T&D) when receiving cargo in the Second, Third, and Fourth Fleet Operating Areas. CTF-X3's will provide NAVSUP GLS T&D with CRIF updates for deployed mobile forces operating in Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Fleet AOR's as appropriate.

The Transportation Officer (TO) is ultimately responsible for coordinating sustainment shipments to deployed naval customers. The following CRIF guidance is provided to assist TOs and shippers with a better understanding of the CRIF process:

Key CRIF information required to support appropriate modes of shipment:

- a. RDD = Required Delivery Date
- b. Priority = Transportation Priority (TP) 1, 2, 3
- c. Consignee Location = Unit Identification Code of the receiver
- d. Cut-off date to the POE = Last day cargo is to be delivered to the CONUS Port of Embarkation (POE) to ensure arrival at the ship's overseas receiving location
- e. Shipment Commodity = Type of cargo (general-hazardous material, etc.)
- f. Mode of shipment = air and surface
- g. Estimated Time of Arrival at POE (Port of Embarkation)

- h. Estimated Time of Arrival at POD (Port of Debarkation)
- 1. TOs and shippers are required to check the CRIF "ship to" addresses prior to coordinating the shipment of any DoD/Navy cargo to deployed mobile force customers. The CRIF is updated eight times daily and must be routinely checked prior to shipping any cargo as routings may have changed.
- 2. Cargo routing cutoff dates (CRCDs) are based on average Defense Transportation System delivery timelines from a specific CONUS POE to OCONUS POD. CRCDs are reviewed annually to ensure cargo is meeting theater delivery expectations and customer Required Delivery Date (RDD). CRCD will be adjusted to optimize delivery to deployed Mobile forces. Authorizing changes to the CRCD is the responsibility of the respective theater CTF-X3 in coordination with NAVSUP GLS who is responsible for maintaining Transportation Metrics, and updating FACTS.
- 3. TOs and shippers use the CRCDs to support four primary methods of shipments:
- a. AMC Airlift...Cargo must arrive at the AMC Aerial Point of Embarkation (APOE) no later than the specified CRIF cutoff date unless a Fleet Expediter has contacted and informed the TO's office to ship regardless of the CRCD information. If there is a change, the TO or shipper must contact NAVSUP GLS ACA and provide justification for the change to include who provided the changed routing instructions with contact information.
- b. WWX/IHX and Commercial Tenders to final destination...cargo must be in the custody of the air transportation carrier not later than the same day of the Air CRCD. TO or shipper should contact designated carriers, when requesting airlift service after the CRCD to ensure shipment and delivery will support the ships operational schedule.
- c. Commercial Sea Lift to military water ports...Shipments must arrive at the Sea Port of Embarkation (SPOE) no later than the specified Surface CRCD.
- d. Domestic Commercial Airlift/Truck movement to a CONUS Central Receiving Location(CRL)...Cargo must arrive at "ship to" address no later than the specified CRCD unless TO or shipper is contacted by Fleet's Expediter or LRC for a later delivery date, remarks must indicate alternate arrangements have been cleared with the customer.

 Note: Cargo moved by AMC, Commercial Airlift (WWX/IHX) and Sealift can be affected by in-transit port hold times to include customs processing delays.

4. CVN & Deployed Mobile Force Support: TO and shipper should ship material to the "ship to" port up to the CRIF cut-off date listed in the CRIF which is available via FACTS. Should the TO or shippers experience any problems determining cut-off times or the "ship to" port for a deployed unit's cargo delivery or simply require CRIF, or routing coordination assistance please contact:

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